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NCF FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Kevin Haddad, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of NCF Financial Services, Inc., as of December 31, 2003, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the Company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer for director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a gustomer.

Kevin Haddad

Chief Compliance Officer

Notary Public expires 8-18-04

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(A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of National Bank of Commerce)

Financial Statements and Schedules

December 31, 2003

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Directors NCF Financial Services, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of NCF Financial Services, Inc. (the Company), a wholly owned subsidiary of National Bank of Commerce, as of December 31, 2003, and the related statement of operations, changes in stockholder's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of NCF Financial Services, Inc. as of December 31, 2003, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information contained in Schedules I and 2 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



Memphis, Tennessee February 25, 2004



Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2003

Assets

| Cash and cash equivalents Security owned, at fair value (note 2) Interest receivable Receivable from clearing agent Furniture, fixtures, and equipment, net (note 3) Deferred tax asset Other assets | \$ | 10,867,418 122,700 1,983 366,194 88,912 53,885 69,337 |
|--|-----|---|
| Total assets | \$ | 11,570,429 |
| Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity | = | |
| Liabilities: Accrued compensation Accounts payable and accrued expenses Due to affiliates (note 5) Other liabilities | \$ | 547,768 297,350 3,798,304 71,511 |
| Total liabilities | _ | 4,714,933 |
| Stockholder's equity: Common stock, \$10 par value; authorized 100 shares; issued and outstanding 100 shares Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings Accumulated comprehensive income | _ | 1,000 1,124,000 5,729,700 796 |
| Total stockholder's equity | | 6,855,496 |
| Commitments and contingencies (note 6) | _ | |
| Total liabilities and stockholder's equity | \$_ | 11,570,429 |

Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31, 2003

| Revenues: | | |
|---|----|------------|
| Commissions and trading gains | \$ | 21,926,041 |
| Interest income | | 30,883 |
| Investment advisory fees | | 127,480 |
| Other | | 1,020,206 |
| Total revenues | _ | 23,104,610 |
| Expenses: | | |
| Employee compensation and benefits | | 12,068,107 |
| Communications and data processing | | 652,528 |
| Occupancy and equipment | | 71,565 |
| Brokerage and clearing costs | | 771,638 |
| Other selling, general, and administrative expenses | | 846,080 |
| Total expenses | | 14,409,918 |
| Income before income taxes | | 8,694,692 |
| Income tax expense (note 5) | | 3,446,000 |
| Net income | \$ | 5,248,692 |

Statement of Changes in Stockholder's Equity

Year ended December 31, 2003

| | Commo | Common stock | Additional paid-in | Retained | Accumulated comprehensive | Total stockholder's |
|---|--------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| | Shares | Amount | capital | earnings | income | equity |
| Balance at December 31, 2002 | 100 | 3, 1,000 | 1,124,000 | 481,008 | 2,423 | 1,608,431 |
| Net income Change in net unrealized gain on available-forsale securities, net of tax benefit of \$876 | | | | 5,248,692 | (1,627) | 5,248,692 (1,627) |
| Comprehensive income | | | | | | 5,247,065 |
| Balance at December 31, 2003 | 100 | 1,000 | 1,124,000 | 5,729,700 | 796 | 6,855,496 |

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2003

| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
|---|----|------------|
| Net income | \$ | 5,248,692 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 18,925 |
| Deferred taxes | | (53,885) |
| Changes in assets and libilities: | | |
| Receivable from clearing organization | | (166,194) |
| Due from affiliate | | 479,200 |
| Other assets | | (4,374) |
| Accrued commissions | | 125,000 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | | 297,350 |
| Due to affiliate | | 3,482,545 |
| Other liabilities | _ | 71,511 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | | 9,498,770 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Purchases of furtniture, fixtures, and equipment | _ | (107,837) |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | | 9,390,933 |
| Cash and cash equivalents beginning of period | | 1,476,485 |
| Cash and cash equivalents end of period | \$ | 10,867,418 |

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Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2003

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Organization and Nature of Business

NCF Financial Services, Inc. (the Company) is a fully disclosed broker-dealer of investment securities. The Company is a retail broker and has branch offices in Arkansas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, West Virginia and Virginia. Since the Company is a fully disclosed broker-dealer, substantially all of its transactions are cleared through a clearing firm. The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of National Bank of Commerce (NBC).

(b) Net Capital Requirements

Pursuant to the net capital requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Company is required to maintain a minimum net capital of \$314,330 at December 31, 2003, as defined in the rules and regulations. The rule prohibits a broker-dealer from allowing its aggregate indebtedness to exceed fifteen times its net capital. At December 31, 2003 the Company had net capital of \$985,010, after all required deductions and a ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital of 4.79 to 1 at December 31, 2003.

(c) Clearing Arrangement

All customer accounts are carried with National Financial Corporation, a member of the New York Stock Exchange. The Company's commissions are collected by National Financial Corporation as the Company's clearing firm. The clearing firm remits the commissions, net of clearing charges, to the Company on a monthly basis, in the month following the date of the transactions.

(d) Customer Transactions

The Company does not hold any securities in safekeeping for its clients.

(e) Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents include short term, highly liquid investments having original maturities of three months or less that are both readily convertible to known amounts of cash or are so near to maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of changes in interest rates.

(f) Security Transactions

Securities transactions and related commissions and trading gains or losses are recorded on a settlement date basis, which does not differ materially from trade date basis.

(g) Securities

The Company's security consists of a United States Treasury Note which is classified as available for sale and carried at estimated fair value, with unrealized gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported, net of tax, in accumulated comprehensive income.

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(h) Deposits with Clearing Organization

Included in cash and cash equivalents is a special deposit account that National Financial requires the Company to maintain on deposit with a minimum of \$50,000 in cash or equivalent. This deposit is maintained in a separate interest bearing account. At December 31, 2003, the balance in this special deposit account amounted to \$50,000.

(i) Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at amortized cost. Depreciation expense is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which range from two to ten years.

(j) Income Taxes

The Company is included in the consolidated federal and state income tax returns of National Commerce Financial Corporation. Federal income tax benefits or liabilities are computed by the Company on a separate return basis and are recoverable from, or payable to, National Commerce Financial Corporation. Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes.

(k) Statement of Changes in Subordinated Liabilities

The financial statements do not include a statement of changes in liabilities subordinated to the claims of general creditors, since no such liabilities existed at December 31, 2003, or at any time during the year then ended.

(l) Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were used.

(2) Security Owned

The security owned is carried at estimated fair value of \$122,700 with an amortized cost of \$121,384 and gross unrealized gains of \$1,316.

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December 31, 2003

(3) Property and Equipment

Property and equipment and the related accumulated depreciation and amortization consists of the following at December 31, 2003:

| Office furniture and equipment Leasehold improvements | \$ | 106,404 1,998 |
|---|-----|------------------|
| | | 108,402 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization | _ | (19,490) |
| | \$_ | 88,912 |

(4) Related Party Transactions

The Company had transactions with affiliates during the year ended December 31, 2003, recognizing management fee income of approximately \$66,000 from NBC Insurance, management fee expense of \$92,493, and rent expense of \$13,219.

(5) Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2003 consists of the following:

| | | Current | Deferred | Total |
|---------|----|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Federal | \$ | 2,888,268 | (44,468) | 2,843,800 |
| State | _ | 611,617 | (9,417) | 602,200 |
| | \$ | 3,499,885 | (53,885) | 3,446,000 |

Income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2003 differed from the amounts computed by applying the U.S. federal income tax rate of 35% as a result of the following:

| Computed "expected" tax expense | \$ 3,043,142 |
|---|-----------------|
| Increase in income taxes resulting from: | |
| State income taxes, net of federal income tax expense | 391,430 |
| Other, net | 11,428 |
| | \$ 3,446,000 |

The tax effect of the temporary difference that gives rise to the deferred tax asset of \$53,885 at December 31, 2003 relates primarily to start-up costs. Based upon the levels of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods which the deferred tax asset is deductible, management believes it is more likely than not the Company will realize the benefits of this deductible difference existing at December 31, 2003.

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At December 31, 2003, the Company had payables to NBC of approximately \$3,800,000 for income taxes, which are included in due to affiliates in the statement of financial condition.

(6) Commitments and Contingencies

In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to claims and litigation. Management of the Company believes that such matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations, liquidity, or financial condition.

(7) Employee Benefits

The Company participates in a defined benefit noncontributory pension plan of National Commerce Financial Corporation (NCFC) generally covering all full-time employees who have served continuously for one year. The Company was allocated a pension expense of \$71,511 by the parent in 2003. Plan net assets and accumulated plan benefit information relative to the Company's portion of the plan are not available.

During 2003, the Company was not allocated any expenses by NCFC for postretirement benefits. Accumulated postretirement benefit obligation information relative to the Company is not available.

The Company's employees participate in various other benefit plans offered to employees and retirees of NCFC. Included in expenses are the Company's pro rata charges for such participation.

Schedule 1

NCF FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

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Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15 (c) 3-1 (a) (1) Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

December 31, 2003

| Total stockholder's equity | \$ | 6,855,496 |
|--|-------------|----------------------|
| Deductions: Total nonallowable assets Other | _ | 214,117 5,583,337 |
| Net capital before haircuts on securities positions | | 1,058,042 |
| Haircuts on securities positions: U.S. Treasury note Money Market Fund | | 4,908 68,124 |
| Net capital | \$ = | 985,010 |
| Computation of Basic Net Capital Requirement | | |
| Aggregate indebtedness | \$ _ | 4,714,933 |
| Net capital requirement | \$ _ | 314,330 |
| Excess net capital | \$ _ | 670,680 |
| Aggregate indebtedness to net capital | = | 4.79 to 1 |

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

Schedule 2

NCF FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. (A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of National Bank of Commerce)

Reconciliation of Net Capital Computation

December 31, 2003

| Net capital as reported on – unaudited FOCUS report at December 31, 2003 | \$ | 1,038,895 |
|--|----|-----------|
| Audit adjustments to decrease net capital – adjust deferred tax assets | _ | (53,885) |
| Net capital – audited | \$ | 985,010 |

See accompanying independent auditors' report.



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Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Accounting Control of a Broker-Dealer Claiming an Exemption from SEC Rule 15c3-3

The Board of Directors NCF Financial Services, Inc.:

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of NCF Financial Services, Inc. (the Company), for the year ended December 31, 2003, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons
- 2. Recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13
- 3. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2003, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the use of the board of directors, management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and should not be used for any other purpose.

KPMG LLP

Memphis, Tennessee February 25, 2004